



"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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## The Great 33d Assembly Has Come and Gone

By J. H. WALKER, General Overseer

THIS was indeed the most wonderful Assembly, in many ways, we have ever had. Since Brother Perry and others are writing more extensively on the Assembly, and as we are kept so very busy since the Assembly, with the arrangements for the new year, and answering the many special letters and telegrams, my time is somewhat limited, and they can tell you more about the Assembly than I can anyway, but I would like to say that we had the largest attendance, the music, singing, preaching, programs and reports seemed to be better than ever before. God gave us a wonderful year last year, and we are so thankful for the gains in every department of the Church's work.

The thousands of workers, with ministers and laity have returned to their fields of labor with renewed energy and enthusiastic determination to make this next year by far the greatest in the history of the Church.

If space would permit, I should like to attempt to describe the glorious Assembly, but words fail us, and only those who were present to share in the blessings can ever know just what a wonderful time we had. There were times when waves of glory would flood the whole building. Shouts and praises from jubilant hearts expressing esthetic joy indescribable filled the spacious auditorium until the roaring was as the great Niagara.

May God bless and help us this year, and should Jesus tarry we hope to meet

you at the next great General Assembly, the time and place of which has not, as yet, been set.

We so much feel the need of God's divine presence to help us carry on this responsible work. Please pray especially for the General Overseer and officials, that God will be able to use us in a greater measure than ever before, in carrying on this great work. Remember, your problems are our problems, and we want to be able to bear one another's burdens, so, don't hesitate to call on us, as we shall be glad to help you in every way we can.

### EXPLANATION TO RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE ASSEMBLY

Below are given the various measures and amendments adopted at the 33rd Annual Assembly of the Church of God:

That when a minister (bishop or evangelist) fails to report to Headquarters and the State Overseer for three months that he be admonished by the State Overseer and if he fails to report for six months that his license be revoked.

That the ministry of those failing to renew their license within 90 days after expiration be revoked.

That all reference to "appointed deacons" be stricken from the Assembly Minutes.

That each State Overseer be given the privilege to call state or district ministers' conferences for the purpose of arranging the state or district program,

and adopt plans for carrying out same, it being understood that no acts of said conference shall conflict with the rules of the General Assembly.

That all ministers having had their ministry revoked or restrained for the cause of failure to pay tithes, be required to show a record of at least six months of loyalty in tithing before being reinstated to the ministry.

That the churches refrain from allowing advertising schemes such as song books, fans, pencils and other commodities as are used by professional advertising agents, except when same is under the supervision of the local pastor and State Overseer, and when such advertising is done all money collected must be turned over to the local church treasury.

That the Mission Board be given the authority to adjust all irregularities that may arise on the mission field.

That the words "except wedding rings in certain foreign countries where social laws or customs governing society require it," be stricken from the Minutes.

Consider ways and means of raising funds for the Bible School.

That a drive be started to secure as many as 300 ministers and friends who will give \$50.00 each on the Bible School property at Sevierville, Tennessee, and that the Sunday before Thanksgiving be designated as the time in which our members and friends will be given the privilege of donating the price

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## MINUTES

The 33rd Annual Assembly Minutes will be off the press soon. Place your orders early. Special effort has been made for the Minutes to be ready much earlier this time.

To my good friends and all concerned: I am resting from overseer's work for the present. I have served the Church in this capacity for six years. This decision was reached after consultation with the General Overseer concerning my health. To all the good people of Kentucky, God bless you. I have enjoyed my work with you very much. My new address is Jal, N. Mex.—T. M. McClendon.

To whom it may concern: I am open for evangelistic services. I would like to run revivals and work in the states of Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, North Carolina and South Carolina. I have been preaching almost seven years and have a good standing with the Church of God. Pastors, if you need a revival in your church, give me a trial. I will do my best for you and the church. There is just my wife and I in family. We will have to go by bus or train. You can get in touch with me at the address below.—Chas. W. Sullivan, East Ellijay, Ga.

I am in the evangelistic work this year and hope I can be with many saints of God in some good Holy Ghost revivals. I am surely hungry to get somewhere where I can see souls won for God, so please if you can use me, and I surely hope you can, notify me at the following address.—J. Nelson Russell, 640 Lilac Ave., Knoxville, Tenn.

We are having prayer each Thursday night for the sick and those who need help. We are expecting to see great things done in this prayer service. If you are sick in body or have some friend or relative who needs prayer, send us your request if you want us to pray for you. Send handkerchiefs or aprons as they did in Paul's day, Acts 19:12. Be sure that you send a three cent stamp for a return. Already we see the result of this prayer service. Any who are passing by on Thursday night, please stop and pray with us. Any request that you would like for us to pray for, just remember that on Thursday night at 8:00 o'clock we start to pray and we want you to join us in that prayer and God will heal you.—Roy J. Young, Box 334, Slaton, Tex.

Any young man who can play music

and sing who wants to travel for the Lord and sacrifice his talent for God and desires to work with another young man on the field for your Redeemer, write me at once, as I expect to be engaged in evangelistic work. You must be saved and have a good report; give some references. If interested, write me. I am now in the eastern part of Tennessee.—Yours for the Master's cause, George L. Cravens, Talbott, Tenn.

If any church needs a pastor, I would like to pastor this year. I am ready now for revivals. Any church wanting me for a revival, write me at once. My address will be Johnson City, Tenn., c/o Charlie Anderson, Shale Brickyard. I will be in revivals until I get a church to pastor.—John E. Scalf.

To our friends everywhere, greetings. We are in Bible School this year and would like to hear from you. Our address will be Sevierville, Tenn., in care of B. T. S.—Mary L. Henson and George Lytle.

To whom it may concern: Those desiring to write us, our address will be Rt. 3, Box 232, Little Rock, Ark.—Wilma Henry, state overseer of Arkansas.

To the ministers and workers of Mississippi: Our ministers' meeting will convene at the Pisgah Springs church, six miles north of Eupora, Miss. on Sept. 22 at 7:30 p. m. We insist that all ministers and workers attend this meeting and stay as long as need be, to arrange our program for the new year. We have many state problems to discuss and will need the co-operation of all. We will expect to finish our pastoral appointments at this time. We are expecting Brother Walker or Brother Johnson to be with us in this conference.—Thos. W. Godwin, overseer of Mississippi, Morgantown, Miss.

I have just returned from West Virginia and will be in Tennessee for a few days. District overseers in West Virginia, please send me a list of the names of the churches on your district and the name and address of the pastor of each church.

I plan to move into the state in about two weeks and make a get-acquainted trip, visiting each district for one day and night. Please write me which church you wish to meet me at.

Write me for the next ten days at Cleveland, Tenn. and watch the Evangel for my address in West Virginia and my date for visiting the district.—Yours in the Master's service, M. P. Cross, overseer of West Virginia.

To my many friends: My address for this year is Box 21, Dunlap, Tenn.—Albert Teaster.

There will be a home coming at the Davis Creek, W. Va. Church of God on Davis Creek Sept. 18. All are welcome.—Mrs. Leona Kessinger, Rt. 1, Box 421, Charleston, W. Va.

There will be rally day at the Church of God tabernacle, Jasper, Ala., Sunday, Sept. 18. Please come and bring a well-filled basket. Brother H. L. Whittington, state overseer, will be with us for the afternoon service.—W. J. Shumaker, pastor, Jasper, Ala.

Our ministers' meeting for Kentucky will convene Sept. 20, 21 at Blue Diamond. All ministers are especially invited to attend since we have some new important business for our consideration.

As your new overseer, I am coming to help you make this the best year that Kentucky has ever had in the great work of the Lord. If it is impossible for any of you to come, please pray for us and for the success of our program. One of our general officials will be present.—Yours in His glad service, B. L. Hicks, overseer of Kentucky.

The ministers' meeting for the state of Florida will convene at the local Church of God, corner Buffalo and Tenth St., Tampa, Fla., Oct. 10-12, 1938, D. V. Services will begin at 7:30 p. m. There is quite a lot of business to attend to and I earnestly insist that each minister be present at the first service if at all possible. We want to get our work outlined for the year and begin with a determination to make this the best year for the state of Florida. There are some problems that should concern each of you and I am sure you want to have a part in arranging the program for our year's work. The General Overseer, Brother J. H. Walker, has agreed to be with us, also the General Superintendent of Education, Brother Zeno C. Tharp. Begin now making your plans to attend this meeting. I will mention a few things I would like for you to be thinking on in order that we might be able to get through with the business as quickly as possible: Dates and length of camp meetings and Bible School, plans for raising state indebtedness, state tent, also district tents, state evangelist, church evangelist, Church of God Evangel and Florida State News, and missions. These are some of the things I would like for you to be praying about. We want the thing that will be pleasing to God and the advancement of His cause in the earth.—Your brother sincerely, E. M. Ellis.

An old-time revival will start at the Church of God in Decatur, Ala. on the 18th of September with Brother A. W. Mills in charge. Please pray for the success of the revival.—Ivy S. Crumpton, 1005 Olive St., Decatur, Ala.

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# Nothing Else Like It

R. P. JOHNSON

OF all the gatherings and conventions, whether religious, political or otherwise, there is none other like the General Assembly of the Church of God, neither indeed can be. It was twenty-two years ago that I first attended the General Assembly and even though I had traveled quite a bit and had visited many states and numerous gatherings, yet that first Assembly gripped and held me as nothing else ever had. There are no words that will express how it impressed me. Its influence over me was so powerful as to lift me above the religious fog through which I had been groping for years. It was there that the eyes of my understanding were opened wider, and I was made to see more clearly the Church of God and what it stood for. My love for its teachings was deepened; my determination for an unflinching, unwavering, unselfish stand for its welfare strengthened. It was there that my inspiration took wings and zeal made to burn as a holy fire within my bones. That Assembly had much to do with my outlook and encouraged me to an uplook which has blessed my soul and effected my ministry for almost a quarter of a century. The association of several hundred Holy-Ghost-filled saints overwhelmed me. Their words and deeds as well as expressions all were suggestive of the love of God and the reaction on my heart was such as to make it flutter and overflow with joy unspeakable and full of glory. Tears streamed from my eyes and hallelujahs burst from the deep of my enraptured soul. Being a member of the Church of God, attending its great Annual Assembly and having just the least part in its program, made me so happy until I am sure that it was closely related to heaven. But that was not the only

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY

That I have attended, as I have for the past twenty-one years looked forward with keen interest and yearning heart to each succeeding one, expecting to be blessed, and I have my first time to be disappointed, for each Assembly finds God's true ministry and laity meeting under the same banner, with the same motives and objectives. Trusting in the same God, pleading the same blood, led by the same Holy Ghost, seeking a clearer understanding of the blessed old Book of books. Therefore, God has never failed to meet with us in the person of the Holy Ghost to own and bless these great Annual Assemblies, and the thirty-third was no exception, for in the opening service the third person in the Trinity met with us and before that

service came to a close He had swept over that great throng of people and thousands felt the touch of His power and were made to rejoice because of the refreshing showers, and a great number of hungry hearts were swept into the altar to tarry for deeper experiences.

## ATTENDANCE

While many had expressed fears that the attendance would be far below that of last year, and that possibly not more than half of the bishops would get to attend the Bishops' Council, God had a surprise for them as we had the largest delegation of bishops ever to attend the Council. The evangelists were there in greater numbers than ever before, and as for laymen, the attendance exceeded by far any previous Assembly. The large Memorial Auditorium was entirely inadequate, for night after night thousands could not even find standing room. They jammed the large lobby and long corridors, and at times numbers were jammed in front of the Auditorium. But even though the weather was uncomfortably warm, yet the people were congenial and took their discomfort good-naturedly.

## PROGRAM

The program adopted for the 34th Assembly year is a progressive one, which calls for service and sacrifice on the part of every minister and layman, and this is as it should be for Christ left us an example that we should follow His steps. Therefore, it was becoming to THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CHURCH OF GOD, not only to hear the good reports of past accomplishments but to map out a go-forward-program even if it should call for a sacrifice. While we hear the cry of "slow down" and many times we are criticized for encouraging Christians to sacrifice, yet the SPIRIT OF GIVE AND FORGIVE must ever remain with us, for this is necessary in order to be successful. The Church of God has accepted a great and heavy responsibility (that of preaching the full gospel to all the world) and this we will do, matters not what the cost may be. The Assembly was great from the standpoint of music, preaching, singing, shouting, dancing, and reports, as well as the programs rendered. But to my mind one of the outstanding features of its greatness is the program outlined for the ensuing year. And now as we settle down to thirteen months of service and sacrifice, we do so in anticipation of the greatest year in the history of the Church. The ASSEMBLY HAS

DONE ITS PART and I feel sure that every loyal minister and member will say amen.

## Has Had His Hand on Me

STONE BRANCH, W. Va.—I praise God for real victory in my soul, that one day He looked down on me and saved, sanctified and filled me with the precious Holy Ghost. Glory to God! God has really had His hand on me. I love Him with all my heart and do want to live a life that will be pleasing to Him. I have been weak in my body for two years. I have trusted the Lord and would seem to be getting better but after while I would be feeling as bad as ever. I want all of God's saints to pray for the healing of my body and that I can be just what God would have me be.

About three weeks ago my baby was very sick; it looked as though he was getting worse. I went down on my knees beside his bed and prayed to God to lift him up and heal his body, that he might be able to play before the day was gone, and in about twenty-five minutes he was on the floor playing, calling for something to eat. Praise God. Pray that I will gain strength, both physical and spiritual. I have been in a weak condition, but I am going to trust the Lord more. The cross seems heavy at times, so that I can hardly bear it, but praise the Lord, I am trying to climb to the mark of the high calling which is in Christ Jesus.

It has been on my heart all this day to testify through the Evangel and I must do what the Savior requires me to do. I have many heartaches and trouble that come up near and about me, but I am looking to Jesus to help me overcome everything that is unlike Him, and shun the very appearances of evil, for I know that the prize lies just at the end of the race. Praise the Lord!

Please pray for me and my home.—One who loves the grand old Church of God, Mrs. Ollie Bledsoe.

## God is Able

GASTONIA, N. C.—I praise God because He is able to heal. Something came in the corner of my left eye. The doctor said it was something growing in it. I didn't want to take a treatment from the doctor as I have been trusting the Lord. So I put my case in His hands. The saints prayed for me and an anointed handkerchief from Brother L. G. Rouse was laid over my eye. Praise God, in a little while the growth began going away. Very little can be seen of it now. Pray that my faith may be strengthened. God is able to heal if we believe.—Mamie McGuire, Smyre Station.



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## EDITORIALS

### Christian Earnestness

*"Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip. For if the word spoken by angels was stedfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompense of reward; how shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him," Heb. 2: 1-3.*

To be "earnest" means "to be serious, sober, grave, solemn, temperate."

I wonder if people are as serious about obeying the Word as they were when they first heard about this wonderful blessing. It is easy to become careless and neglect to contend for these great truths. God's Word is sure and He will hold us responsible for the way in which we receive it. Also those who are giving out the Word should be sure that they teach it just like they should. It means much to direct the people in the right way, and hold up these great blessings to the world that come to us through the Word of God. God will not excuse us if we minify His Truth and fail to teach it just like it is.

This great salvation spoken of here in our text includes every blessing that God's Word provides, and at the day of rewards every man will be held responsible for the way he hears and receives these special truths.

### Earnestly Contending for the Faith

*"Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints," Jude 3.*

To "contend" means "to strive in

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Help us make the Evangel a medium of information as well as a spiritual blessing.

This paper reserves the right to condense reports, testimonies, etc., to a conformity of a proper allowance of space.

opposition or rivalry; to compete; to maintain."

Jude is here writing to the church and insisting on them contending for the faith. It is not so much Jude who is speaking, but the Holy Ghost within him. In his brief letter he treats the subject as though apostasy had already set in. His thought agrees with Paul's letter to Timothy, also Peter's letter, which plainly teach that apostasy would overrule the faith. We see today that modernistic ideas are fast prevailing among Holy Spirit-filled people. Our hearts go out to the precious saints of God when we see these spirits working, but come on, let us stand for God's precious Word just as it is, teaching the people that they can be genuinely born again, be sanctified by an application of the blood of Jesus, have the old man crucified and the sin principle destroyed, and be filled with the blessed Holy Ghost that will lead us into all truth. It is truly needful that we take a stand for the faith that was once delivered to the saints, and earnestly contend for it. The great day of the Lord is coming and, oh, how we need to have these truths planted in the hearts of God's people! Preachers and teachers will be held responsible should they fail to teach the whole truth.

### When We First Received the Blessing

We abstained from everything that was worldly, even from coca cola and such things we felt were wrong. It is sad to notice how careless some of our people have grown, even ministers. Some of them drink cocoa cola. Our hearts were made sad when we heard the criticism offered. Oh, how can we contend for the faith and be partakers of these things? We shrink from speaking our hearts on the things that are enveloping our people, because of offense, but it would be better for you to turn from these things than for the day of the Lord to come and catch you unprepared. Do you feel that you are an example to the sinners from whom you buy these drinks and to those who

stand by and see you partake of them? If we get God in our hearts as we ought to have Him, we won't have to legislate against these evils. God's Word condemns these things and when people get enough of God they will leave them off whether there is a rule against them or not. So many of our people dress like the world and go as far as they can to get by. I remember the saints, after receiving the blessing, used to be so careful about the way they dressed, and they appeared so holy and there was such joy and victory in their lives. The more of the world you leave off, the more of God you will have and the more victory and power will accompany your work. Let us lay aside everything that is worldly, dress right and live right, and God will give us victory and power and we will not only be ready when Jesus comes but we will influence others to be ready.

### Earnest in Prayer to God

*"Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain; and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit," James 5:16-18.*

Elijah was a prophet of God. Ahab was king over Israel but he wasn't in touch with God. He had polluted God's kingdom and was teaching false doctrine. His wife was an unrighteous woman yet she fed four hundred and fifty prophets, but they were not prophets of God. Elijah prayed and God spake directly to him. He appeared in the midst of Ahab's kingdom and said, "By my word there will be no rain for three years and six months." Ahab sought to slay him because it made him angry, but God was caring for Elijah and he wasn't afraid. He slipped through Ahab's fingers over on the brook where God cared for him. The time came when the drouth must be ended if there be any human or animal life left. Elijah prayed again and the heavens gave rain and the earth brought forth her fruit. Here was a man that got his message direct from God and he paid no attention to the king and his court and the howling, backslidden mob around him. He looked to God and God directed him, and on Mt. Carmel he was able to vindicate the greatest truth the world has ever known, and put an end to apostasy and false prophets. Now God is just as able to take us through if we will fully depend upon Him today. I realize that we must depend upon God's Word but the Holy Ghost never moves

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### **The Transforming Power**

Jesus did not tell the woman at the well that she must first reform her life and become a holy woman in order to receive the gift of God. The GIFT itself is the reforming, regenerating power without which no one can live a new life.

When God takes the strong heart out of a man, that man will not have hardness against others any longer. See Ezek. 36:25, 26.

David, when he started out to meet Goliath, did not neglect his sling, even though he trusted in his God. We should not trust in human means to the accomplishment of spiritual things, neither should we throw them away. David needed his sling, Moses his rod, Gideon his pitcher, Sampson his jawbone, Abraham his wood and fire. Those who have the Spirit need the Sword of the Spirit, too.

The man who turns away and says, "I have no use for the Bible," is like the man who turns his back to the sun and says, "I have no need of your light. I have can see without you."

Jesus did not say, "Ye may be born again;" He said, "Ye MUST be born again." It is not optional or a mere privilege, without which we may fare as well anyway; it is an ABSOLUTE NECESSITY—that is, if we would enter the kingdom of heaven. It changes darkness into light, delivers from the power of Satan unto God, brings out of bondage into liberty, from the mists of confusion to perfect peace, misery to happiness, sinfulness to salvation.

Eloquence and human ability in preaching the Word are always good in their place, but their place is second, not first. There may be—yes, there are, imitations and counterfeits of the anointing of the Holy Spirit, such as personal magnetism, human enthusiasm, the spirit of heresy, etc., but there can be no substitute for the genuine baptism in the Holy Ghost and fire. Other influences may work externally or on the emotions, and work folks into a hand-shaking and profession, but the Holy Ghost works conviction in the heart and soul and produces actual change. This is what the world needs. Let us see that they get it.—J. E. Forrest.

### **"By Their Fruits Ye Shall Know Them"**

Their spot is not the spot of my children. Deut. 32:5.

There are two spirits. The Spirit of

God and the spirit of the devil. And there are only two classes of people, the children of God and the children of the devil.

The children of God have the likeness of God, and the children of the devil have the likeness of the devil. Now, since the character of one is totally different from the other, it seems there would be no difficulty in distinguishing between the two, but it is often quite difficult, for the reason that the devil is a deceiver and, if you please, an impersonator, and he invests his children with this same power.

I saw an impersonator once on the stage, in front of a big audience, and in course of a couple of hours he transformed himself from one to another until he represented about four different nationalities, so perfectly that it was marvelous to behold. It usually takes an expert to tell the difference between the real and the counterfeit. There is danger, however, of misjudging, and as a result much harm may be done, so a judging or fault-finding spirit is forbidden in the Word of God. There is a way, however, to determine and it is extremely important to know how. We are commanded to try the spirits, and unless we do, we ourselves might be "led into the error of the wicked." There are many marks of difference, pointed out in the Word of God, but for me to hunt up all the evidence it would make this article too long, so I will quote one statement of our Lord's which will put us on the right way, and by carefully observing the signboards as we proceed, the difficulty will vanish. The quotation referred to is this: "Every tree is known by its fruit. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit, but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree can not bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them," Matt. 7:16-20.

To illustrate. Suppose I should go to California in the springtime, when there was no fruit on the trees, and I saw a Damson plum tree. I would not know what it was, for I have never seen one. I might guess that it was a Damson tree, but if there was no one to confirm it, it would not satisfy me. But

you let me keep my eye on that tree for a few months, until fruit began to appear; I watch it carefully, by and by it takes its shape and so far it looks like a Damson plum, for I have seen the fruit before, but there is some evidence lacking, for they have not yet the color of a Damson. I observe from time to time, until one day I look and there I see the beautiful Damson color, I have one more test to make and I shall be satisfied. When I have tasted it I reach my final conclusion.—J. A. Giddens.

### **Filled With the Spirit**

In what sense may a man be filled with a spirit? Parallel expressions present no difficulty. Elsewhere we read: "They were all filled with wrath;" "they were filled with fear;" and "were filled with madness;" "they were filled with indignation;" and "they were filled with envy." When we read that men are filled with wrath, fear, envy, and such like stormy passions, we understand that all their faculties are dominated by such forces, and that these passions urge them on to energetic deeds, which fitly express the hold such passions possess upon their understanding, wishes and affections.

Here, then, is the real glory of Pentecost: "They were all filled with the Holy Spirit." The Divine Spirit took complete possession, dominating every faculty, swaying every power, and using every energy, just as He willed. Supernatural effects immediately followed. Of course they did. Such effects were conclusive proofs that the men were now possessed by another Spirit than their own. The Lord had suddenly come to His temple! Man was now a temple of the Holy Ghost—willingly and gladly so.

"Filled with the Holy Ghost!" Thrice blessed Word! Thanks be to God that ever the tongues of men were taught it! It declares not only that the Lord has returned to His temple in the human soul, but that He has filled the house with His glory; pervaded every chamber, every court, by His manifested presence.

The expression "filled with the Holy Ghost" places before us the human spirit restored to its original and highest fellowship.

Thus inhabited, not only is the soul of man unutterably blessed, but his body reaches dignity, the thought of which might make even flesh sing. "Your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost, which is in you, which ye have of God; and ye are not your own." Not your own for purchase has been made; "ye are bought with a price;" not your own for possession has been taken: "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?"

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## REVIVALS

"O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years,"  
Hab. 3:2.

POINT, Tex.—We thank the Lord for the revival just closed here near Point, Tex. Our pastor, Brother W. E. Mitchell, did the preaching. The Lord surely blessed in each service. There was a heavy burden all through the meeting for souls. People seemed to be hungry for the Lord and were made to know that the coming of our Lord is very near. One girl that got saved and sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost said she could just feel the Lord in the air. There were eighteen saved, twelve sanctified, eight filled with the Holy Ghost and twelve added to the church. We had large crowds and the best order there has been here for years, for which we give God the praise. There were nineteen baptized in water and some more who are looking this way. We truly believe God will lead them right into the Church of God. We love this good way. Praise His name! Now Brother Mitchell brought a wonderful message on "The Church" Saturday night. He really preached the Bible; he declared the full counsel of God. If he should evangelize this year, you surely wouldn't make any mistake in calling on him to do the preaching, I am sure. Remember to pray much for the writer. I am in need of prayer.—Mrs. Ada Miller, correspondent clerk, Rt. 1.

COFFEEVILLE, Miss.—On the 3rd of July we began our revival in an old Methodist church, which ran for five weeks, with Brothers G. G. Prince, district pastor, and T. H. Williams, pastor, in charge. Our state overseer, Brother Godwin, was with us one night. It seemed the devil was present with all of his forces, but realizing our Leader is the Master of all situations, we marched forward and several were saved, some sanctified and two filled with the precious Holy Ghost, with a number in the altar when the meeting closed. Three were baptized and joined the church at Friendship, near Charleston, Miss., as we have no organized church here. For several years we have tried to have a revival at this place but with no visible success. Many prayers have gone up in behalf of souls here and how proud we are of these new-born babes in Christ. We appreciate the good work rendered in this revival by these men of God and the way God used them in giving out the Word in its beauty, love, simplicity and fullness. We want to start the new Assembly year with more prayer and fasting and hoping that we may have another revival in the near future. We thank God for these precious souls that have started out to follow Him and pray that they will ever press onward and upward. We realize that

one soul saved is worth so much more than the time, expense and tired, worn bodies of a five weeks' revival, for the value of one soul cannot be overestimated. Please pray that I'll be more consecrated to the Lord and His work.—Maude Ellen Hight, Rt. 1.

POPLAR GROVE, Ark. — We are glad to report that the Lord met with us in a wonderful way during the revival. Our pastor, Brother Claud McGhee, was in charge. The power and fellowship of the saints was felt in a special way. The church was edified. There were some saved and sanctified; large crowds of people came to church that had never come before. I am sure that the seed sown will come forth some day. Brother McGhee brought some wonderful soul inspiring messages which have proven a blessing to all and especially to some who have fought holiness all their lives. We had large crowds nearly every night and many were under conviction. Please pray that the revival spirit will continue to burn in our midst. The church is in better condition spiritually than it has been in several years.—Maud Livingston, clerk, Rt. 1, Box 44.

MYRTLEWOOD, Ala.—The Lord has done great things for us over here at the Half Acre Church of God, for which we are glad. A revival which ran two and one-half weeks closed Aug. 14. Brother Julius Williamson, our pastor, did the preaching and his wife helped him in the singing. Five received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, four others, I believe, were sanctified, a number saved and five united with the church. On the last night of the revival the Holy Ghost took full charge of the service even before song service began. Brother Williamson did not even get to preach. I have never witnessed a service like this one before, others say the same. Saints, continue to pray for our little band over here that every member will stay humble at the foot of Jesus, so that God can continue to bless in our midst.—Mrs. Edward Breckenridge.

W. MEMPHIS, Ark.—I praise the dear Lord for the three weeks' revival which just closed on Barton Ranch seven miles from Tyrone, Ark. Two were saved and three reclaimed. We had a united baptizing, some from Marked Tree, some from Hafer. Brother John McCullar did the baptizing and has been pastoring the church on the ranch.—Mrs. M. A. Adams.

STEWART, Miss.—We praise the Lord for the grand revival which has just closed at Williams Springs church near Stewart, Miss. The Lord wonderfully blessed over the power of the enemy. Numbers were saved and sanctified, seven filled with the Holy Ghost, six

baptized in water and six added to the church.

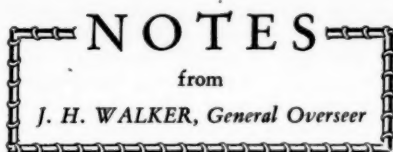
Our pastor, Brother George Hemphill, did the preaching. He delivered many wonderful messages during the three weeks' revival. It was the best revival we've had in ten years. The power of God was felt in the first service. We two sisters are in the number that were baptized with the Holy Ghost and added to the great Church of God.—Mrs. Allene Henson and Mrs. Willadee Jenkins.

UNICOI, Tenn.—We just closed a very successful revival here. The Lord came down and blessed in a mighty way in every service. Brother A. J. Swift, pastor of the Johnson City church, did the preaching under the mighty power. The revival ran two weeks. Brother Swift was just getting in a good way for a real revival when he had to close for the Assembly. We are hoping that it will be God's will for him to come back again and give us another revival. We surely appreciate the help we had from our neighboring churches. May God bless all of them. I think we have as good a district pastor and local pastor and church workers on this Bristol district as there are anywhere. The different churches have been working hard for the banner on this district and we have been winning some too. There were six saved, two sanctified, seven filled with the Holy Ghost, nine baptized in water and three added to the church. We closed the revival with communion service. The Lord surely blessed, the church is revived and encouraged to go on and do something for the Lord. Pray for the church here.—D. H. Linnville, clerk.

ANADARKO, Okla. — We praise God for the way He is blessing here at Anadarko. Our church surely is growing here and we are meeting our payments just fine. We owe only \$38.00 more on our building; don't have it finished inside yet, but we are looking forward to that in the near future. We thank God for our good pastor and wife, Brother and Sister Calvin Rogers. They surely have been a blessing to this church. He has just closed a revival here; the Lord surely blessed in a wonderful way. The Holy Ghost was in our midst every night; people sought God and got wonderful experiences who had never before thought about salvation. There were about fifteen saved and some sanctified and the altar was filled with seekers every night. There were twenty-one baptized in water and twenty-three added to the church. We surely thank God for hearing our cries here at Anadarko and giving us some men in our church. Everyone pray for us that we might be humble and do

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### Group Insurance Can Be Doubled Now

The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, with whom the Church has carried insurance since 1928, has offered to double our insurance, at a cost of \$1.20 per month for \$2,000.00 and \$2.40 for \$4,000.00.

The Bishops' Council unanimously agreed that a drive be started to double the insurance among our ministers, and over 500 signed the cards during the Assembly to double their insurance. We need only about 25 per cent more to perfect this plan and double our insurance.

Letters and cards have been mailed to you ministers individually, and you will please let us hear from you as soon as it is conveniently possible, as we should like to have this plan in effect right away. Just as soon as we reach the goal we shall notify you of the increase of your premium.

All those who made application for insurance during this last drive, which ended August 15, will have the privilege to increase yours to \$2,000.00. The company advised that we wait on issuing your certificate for the \$1,000.00 until we hear from you concerning doubling your policy, but they assured that your policy for \$1,000.00 is in effect, and in case of death your beneficiary will receive the \$1,000.00.

Remember, this drive to double our insurance requires no medical examination, only fill out the cards as instructed by the letter. In event you have not received your letter nor signed a card already, please write the General Secretary at once, who will furnish you the needed information.

Those who have your policy already will not be required to give it up but will have the privilege of doubling it. When this plan to double the insurance is in effect all those who take out insurance with us in the future will be required to take the amount of \$2,000.00. Only the active ministers (bishops and evangelists) are eligible for this insurance. The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company rules that aged ministers, receiving compensation from the Church fund, are considered inactive, and are not entitled to this increased insurance. They may, however, retain the policies which they now have, but they cannot double them.

May the dear Lord bless and help you

in your work this year, and let us hear from you soon concerning the doubling of your policy.

### Drive Begun to Pay for the New Bible School Home

The sixty-three-acre campus, farm and six buildings of the Murphy Collegiate Institute, now owned by the Church of God Bible Training School, was purchased this year at an auction sale for \$29,990.00, a price of about fourteen cents on the dollar of the original cost. However, this does not include the repairing of the buildings and equipment.

The Council of Twelve, as a body, visited the site prior to the Assembly, and everyone seemed overjoyed with the purchase. One of them said if we had bought only one of the buildings for the price paid for all we would have had a bargain. Others made remarks such as, "We should easily pay for this in one year." The Council of Twelve voted enthusiastically to pay \$50.00 each to start this drive.

At the Bishops' Council there was a goodly number of others who joined in the \$50.00 each drive, with a still greater number who promised the price of one-fourth of a month's salary, or one week's receipts. We feel that there will be thousands who will join us in the SPECIAL DAY, SUNDAY BEFORE THANKSGIVING, in giving the price of one day's work toward this project.

We plan to carry the names in the Evangel of those who pay their pledges in this drive. The first one for this issue is Brother S. J. Wood, \$50.00, paid. Will your name be next? Come on, let's make this the best, most complete drive we have ever begun for the Church.

Next issue will give the names of those who have already pledged.

S. J. Wood (paid) \$50.00

### Special Notice

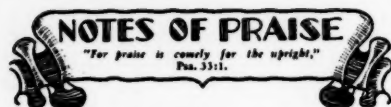
Address all mail intended for the Mission Board to the Mission Secretary, Zeno C. Tharp, Sevierville, Tennessee. All mail concerning the orphanage is to be addressed to R. R. Walker, c/o Bible Training School, Sevierville, Tennessee.

### STATE OVERSEERS

The following are the names of the State Overseers, and their addresses for the present. Some of these are their old addresses, and as soon as we hear from them concerning their new addresses same will appear in the Evangel. (All State Overseers, please favor us with your new address as soon as possible, and please state whether it will be permanent or temporary.)

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## MY EXPERIENCE IN THE LORD

When I was fourteen years old I was attending a Baptist Sunday School at McCloud, Okla. Brother and Sister Holder was the pastor. My desire was to serve the Lord. I wanted salvation but it seemed I didn't know how to get it. I was under conviction. My sins appeared before me. I was a secretary at that time in the Baptist church but I didn't belong, so the coming summer of 1919 they started a revival under a big brush arbor. It was a Missionary Baptist revival and they got happy and shouted all over the place. I went to the altar and that is when I found God. I prayed through. When I came home I had the devil to fight. My mother used to be a Baptist thirty years before I got saved and my father was a drunkard and when he found out I joined the church, oh, how he bemeaned me, but I asked the Lord to help me through. The next Sunday I was to be baptized. My mother didn't care. She and I went in a buggy seven miles to where they baptized and I felt like I was ready to fly if I only had wings. I went back home and the devil was surely after me. My father wouldn't let me go to services without a fuss, so one of my brothers had pity on me and would go with me to Sunday School. I attended that until they started a holiness revival in two miles of our home—ten miles north of McCloud, Okla. My mother began going to church and father told her if she got that "stuff" (the power on her) he would quit her. They attended one week and mother was so hungry for the Lord until she made her way to the altar and the Lord wonderfully saved, sanctified and baptized her all the same night. She came up from there talking in tongues. My father put her in a wagon and started home with her. She talked all the way home. That was in the year 1920.

I felt like I needed the baptism so I began to seek for it but they closed the revival before I got the blessing. In 1921, seven miles north of McComb, Okla., they started a revival and God wonderfully baptized me with the sweet Holy Ghost. I was keeping company with a sinner boy at that time and I was ashamed for him to see me in the altar so I asked God to baptize me out in the corn patch where he couldn't see me, but that wasn't the Lord's will. I got so hungry I said, "Yes, Lord, just anywhere you want to baptize me," so I got down at the altar and God baptized me. There were a thousand or

more people out there. The Lord gave me a message in tongues and I delivered it and when I found myself I was going up one aisle and down the other telling them about God. My boy friend took me home that night and began to compel me not to go to church (we were engaged at that time). I got enough of God in my life that I laid all of my sin down and I had to quit my boy friend. My father left there after the meeting closed and went to Clayton, Okla. and it was a rough country. They didn't know God there and my mother and I were the only two who were saved. I had five brothers and four sisters. God called mother to preach.

We started a little prayer meeting at a pine schoolhouse and people got interested in church and fifteen got saved. The landlady received the Holy Ghost and donated a house for a church on her place. We worshipped the Lord there and in the revival I got acquainted with my husband. Both of us had the baptism so we went together a short time and were married. We had another worker and he surely made a soldier for the Lord. We attended all the revivals and would go on the mountain and pray for God to bless us in our work. That was the happiest time of my life—in the year 1925. We had two children born to us. That was the year the Lord called me.

One morning we went up on the mountain and began praying and the Lord began blessing, so He gave me the 24th chapter of Saint Matthew. I took it as the Lord gave it to me. We were having a revival in our front yard. Brother Lee and Sister Lucy Green were conducting the revival at that time but they gave place for me to deliver the message and a young boy got saved (my brother-in-law afterwards). After that we decided to go out in evangelistic work. The Lord blessed us in every way. We held revivals at different places. We stayed three years in the work and decided the children had to go to school, so we came back to Clayton, Okla., bought a place, settled down, and started the children to school. My husband was burdened for souls that were in sin. He was really close to God.

They had a meeting at South McAlester, so we decided to go but the Lord revealed to him that he wouldn't be here long. The night before we planned to go to church he told me that I would have to go through the trials alone in this world. I didn't know what he had reference to at that time but the Lord has made me to know it since. Then he said after we started to church that he would be glad when God got through with him as he was tired and wanted to go home. He began

singing one verse of a song, "There is a way that seemeth right but the end of the way is death." It wasn't over thirty minutes until he was knocked off a truck. He lived thirty-three hours and passed out to meet his Savior. He told me on his death bed that whatever I did to serve the Lord and I could see him again. I tell you that is when my soul longed for His coming. I thought it was more than I could bear. I was left with three children; the baby boy was only six months old, the girls seven and eight years. Oh, how I wished it could have been me instead, but Jesus knows best.

This is where my trials started. I left there after I put my companion away, and came to Anadarko, Okla., to my sisters. I didn't have anything and had no money. I got my hand broken in the wreck in which my husband got killed so I looked at financial affairs and didn't obey the Lord. I attended services and it seemed I would choke to death.

I became acquainted with a sinner man and looked at the financial side and there is where I disobeyed God. I got married soon, quit going to church. The calling of God went from me and I was afflicted in many ways. I soon found myself in sin. I was afflicted with appendicitis and had to go to the hospital for poison of the kidneys. I got over that but we lost our home, got everything burned up. We left and went to Keechi, Tex., and there we lost our little girl. I had two children by my last husband. The climate here was low and I had two hemorrhages of the lungs. The doctor said I had contracted T. B. and I would die if I didn't get out of that low climate. He gave me up and I began to think of the six years I had just wasted and didn't serve the Lord. I began to ask God to save my soul and it seemed like I couldn't pray and I knew I was going to die.

During my illness I was stricken with paralysis until I couldn't walk. My weight which had been 240 pounds went down to only 140 pounds. I was uneasy about myself, so I fell on my knees and asked God to deliver me out of that place and He did. He put it in the hearts of the charity workers to pay my way back to Anadarko, Okla., so I landed back here Dec. 15, 1937. I began going to church where Brother Wright was pastor. People in this country knew what a condition I was in. I went to the altar and God took me back and when He did He healed me of T. B. I couldn't talk above a whisper and I couldn't walk anywhere. When God healed me I soon found I could praise the Lord, sing and shout, so I praise the Lord for salvation that can make you love everybody, even your enemies. I



didn't have anyone to help me serve the Lord. I have two girls now fourteen and sixteen years of age and two boys seven and five years of age. I began to ask God to save the girls. Brother and Sister Rogers started a meeting here two weeks ago and God saved both of the girls and last night He baptized the fourteen-year-old girl and the other one is seeking the baptism. I feel like God has given me someone to help serve the Lord. We praise the Lord for His great goodness and healing power. I tell you, it doesn't pay to turn back. You have to suffer so much loss and then you haven't gained in the Lord, so this might be a good warning to someone who is turning the Lord away and trampling His mercy under his feet.

Pray for me and my family that we will stay in the center of God's will.—Mrs. Lola Pounds, Gen. Del., Anadarko, Okla.

### I Really Need Prayer

Dear saints, today I feel burdened to write to the good paper. I don't get to go to church now. I am a member of the dear old Church of God at McMinville (or used to be). I have not been or paid tithes in so long until they may have taken my name off, but, thank God, dear saints, I know my name is in the Lamb's book. Glory! I am way off in the country and never see any true blue Christians, but Jesus is here. Hallelujah! I get hungry for a good sermon but I just pray and ask God to help me through.

My husband is a backslider, so you know what a life I have. I have been sick over two months. My husband had the doctor and he says I will have to go to the hospital for an operation. I have an ulcerated stomach and can't eat much. I know my Savior is the same as He was when He healed me about eighteen years ago. Praise His sweet name.

I am the girl who was given up by nine special doctors, was paralyzed partly and had been in the bed flat on my back thirteen months. I could not raise my head. The day I was healed they (the doctors) pronounced me dead. My sister called Sister Martin and a few more and they came and prayed, anointing me with oil. I was thrown out of bed on my feet like a rubber ball and danced under the power two hours by a preacher's watch. Glory to God. He has the same power today. Please pray for me.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Robert Driver, Rt. 6, c/o Clarence Sandlen, Smithville, Tenn.

### I Want to Obey God

WOLF MOUNTAIN, N. C.—Dear readers, brothers and sisters, please pray for me. I got hurt on my job Aug. 15. I am trusting God for my ease and pain.

I want to obey God. I am a member of the Church of God. I have done everything I could to help build the church before I got my transfer to this church. I thank God for blessing us with this church and for the companies that helped us. One company gave us the timber and one gave the sawing bill. Thank God for it.

Pray for the brothers and sisters at Wolf Mountain; also the sinners, that they will get interested in their souls and turn to God.

Remember me, I need your prayers, also my family needs your prayers. One of our children got sick in April and was at the point of death but God came on the scene and blessed it; now it is the picture of health. Just think what God can do for us if we will let Him!—L. C. Carter.

### Can't Praise God Enough

For a long time I've felt that I should send a testimony through the Evangel of the wonderful blessings that God has bestowed upon me. One year ago my son, age fourteen, took a cough that would get bad at times. We would pray and have others to pray, and he would get better. Then, maybe in a week he would be worse than ever. He didn't seem to have any cold. Oh, the ache that grips our hearts at times when we are in a community where no one trusts or knows how to trust God with these bodies of ours which He made and knows more about than any doctor on earth, and can and will touch and heal quicker and better than any medicine ever prepared and with no expense if we will only meet His conditions.

I prayed and prayed and my boy prayed (he has the Holy Ghost, too), but we just couldn't get a prayer through seemingly. Unbelievers criticized and asked, "What are you doing for that cough?" and said, "It is dangerous to let a cough hang on," but never did they say, "If you are trusting God to heal, I'll help you pray." O dear people who profess to be Christians, are you helping your brothers and sisters or are you hindering? So many people read their Bibles and never find James 5:14-16.

I became almost desperate. My husband took the boy to a doctor to find out what caused the cough, and he did not give us any encouragement. We were afraid from the way the doctor did that he had T. B. of the throat. Oh, it seemed that I'd weaken and turn to medicine anyway, but the doctor didn't seem to think medicine would do any good. God only knows what heartache a mother has to endure in these trials. But I'm glad that Jesus said, "In your patience possess ye your souls." And James 5:10 says, "Take the prophets who have spoken in the name of the

Lord for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience." So early one morning after a night of warming milk for him and praying and hearing him cough, I felt a determination to pray through and I fell on my knees and prayed and cried unto the Lord as it seemed I'd never prayed before. Hezekiah's case came before me and it seemed I could hear my Savior say, "I've heard your prayers and seen your tears and I will heal your boy." Oh glory to His matchless name! I'm glad His Word says, "Behold, we count them happy which endure." In just a little while that cough was gone and he has gained weight and new energy ever since.

We moved here and my daughter, thirteen, got sick and had a severe bilious attack. For a day and night we prayed and trusted God; then He touched her body and raised her up, and she has been enjoying good health ever since and still has not taken any medicine. Five weeks after she was healed my boy became ill one day about noon, and his temperature was so high we were afraid he would have spasms. He asked his daddy to go for Brother and Sister George Danehower, and when they came he was so sick he scarcely knew them. We prayed and prayed again, and at 1:30 in the morning God wonderfully touched his body and by the next afternoon he was able to sit up and has been well and very busy at his work and play ever since.

Oh, I can't praise God enough for His mighty healing power that has been manifested in our home. I am not very stout in body now, and I want the prayers of you people that I might work harder than ever before to spread this gospel and do all that God impresses me to do, then I believe God will heal me completely. And I can praise Him for more blessings than healing. A young girl, aged fourteen, came to visit her sister who is my next-door neighbor. She began to go with us to a revival and each night she would go to the altar. At first she told her sister that she didn't believe in the baptism but that she was going to pray for God to show her if she needed this experience and reveal to her if it was right. About a week later, in the altar one night, she told me she felt better but not satisfied for she believed God had more for her and before we reached our car the power of God was on her body and we got in the car and started for home. She and I kept praying and we stopped at a sister's house. She helped us pray and in a few minutes the Holy Ghost came in and testified. Today she is a firm little soldier for Jesus.

Now, dear brothers and sisters, just a few words of encouragement. We so often feel that we've stood all we can, but with every trial God has prepared

a way of escape, so hold on. Each day brings us just a little closer to that glorious rapture, that wonderful vacation in the skies, no more heartaches because father, mother, sister nor brother will go to church and enjoy this glorious salvation. Let's work while it is day; let's pray while God hears and answers prayer. God loves us just like He did Cornelius and the Philippian jailer, and their kinsmen and household were saved.

If every professor of Christianity would only realize that Jesus must mean more to us than *anything* on earth and that it means something to obey all the commandments He has put in the New Testament for us to go by. Newspapers and magazines hold the attention of too many of God's children today; therefore, many are going to the judgment bar of God deceived.

Hosea 4:6, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge; because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee." Oh the precious time wasted today on worldly things when we should be seeking knowledge and wisdom from His precious Word. Let's work and pray to the end that we may be accounted worthy to escape the things that are coming to pass and that nobody's blood will be required at our hand. If you are not burdened for lost souls, go to the altar, for every child of God has a work to do and that immediately. We can look about us and see that the harvest truly is white but the reapers are few. Pray earnestly for me to stand true and do my little bit each day, and for God to completely heal my body and prepare my loved ones for the rapture. God bless all who read this with more faith, is my prayer. — Mrs. Walter Daughdrill, 621 Turrentine St., Gadsden, Ala.

### Let Your Light Shine

MT. GAY, W. Va.—Dear Evangel family, especially the sick and suffering, the Lord is still healing the ones who trust in Him. For the glory of God I will tell you of a few cases which the Lord wonderfully healed. The Bible says let your light shine that the Father in heaven may be glorified.

I was called into the home of Raymond Ellis when he was very sick, his body in pain, and he was suffering so much. The doctor was not doing him any good. I said, "Brother, when all hopes are gone, Jesus is able. Put your trust in Jesus and He will heal you." We had prayer and I saw the tears of rejoicing. I knew that Jesus had moved on the scene. I asked him how he felt and he said the pain and suffering was gone. He had not worked for a week or more, but when Jesus said, "Sickness depart," it had to go. Praise the Lord forever! The next thing we knew he was working again.

We went to the home of a Christian lady who was bedfast, and had prayer for her and the Lord healed her right now. She jumped out of bed and shouted the victory. This was a Mrs. Carroll. You may write me and I will give you these addresses.

I also have in mind a lady who had a very bad head trouble. The pain was terrible, but when anointed and Jesus said, "Go," the pain went.

Thank God for healing. When the doctor said my father could live no longer than six months, Jesus changed those plans and said, "I will make you whole," and He did. That has been nearly twelve years ago.

I was conducting a revival at the Stone Branch Church of God in January and there was a young woman there with the toothache so badly she was crying aloud. We began to cry out to God for her and the Lord completely rebuked the pain.

You who are sick and want prayer, just let us hear from you. We will be more than glad to pray for you. Jesus will make you whole.—Yours in Christ, W. Haskell Compton.

### Feel the Fire Burning in My Soul

CRAMERTON, N. C.—I thank the Lord for saving me about five years ago; a few months later He sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost and gave me a new zeal to press on for Him. I am so glad for a Redeemer we can call upon when trials and sickness come. Glory to God!

I thank the Lord for wonderfully healing me. I had appendicitis and He healed me instantly when the brothers and sisters from the church prayed for me. When the Lord healed me I promised that I would work for Him. The Lord called me to preach about four and one-half years ago. I have tried to back down and not preach. I now feel the burning fire of the Holy Ghost in my soul urging me to start out in evangelistic work. If there is a pastor or district pastor who wishes to have a revival and desires my help, please write to W. W. Harmon for recommendation, or to the writer. Pray for me.—Sister Eulah Watkins, Box 932.

### Take God at His Word

BURDETTE, Ark.—Dear saints, I praise the Lord who has done so much for me. I am so glad I ever took God at His Word and stepped out on His promises. I can't find words to express the joy I have in my heart just now—just to sit all alone and think how sweet it is to have the good Holy Ghost abiding in my life, a presence so real until no one could make me doubt. He is as real to me as day and night; I know He is real because I have Him and

no human being gave Him to me. I received Him only by setting my whole heart, mind and soul on God and believing God's Word and I am so glad I ever stopped to study God's Word enough to learn of His sweet promises to those who would seek Him with a whole heart.

I am so glad for His wonderful healing power, so glad that I ever learned that God said He would heal all of our diseases. You know, if one promise in that blessed Word of God is true, they are all true, and, praise God, He said He could heal us and also said He would do it, so why should we doubt His power?

I have a baby nineteen months old and I have sinner witnesses and saints for witnesses that she had colitis very badly, but, glory to God, when the dear servants of God prayed for her, anointing her with oil in the name of Jesus, she was healed in the selfsame hour. I can't praise my great Physician enough. My aged mother-in-law was so near death until when the saints of God looked on her they said, "We believe she is gone. We have done all we can," but, dear ones, God did not see it that way. We only had the beating of her pulse to know she was living but we all went down in faith believing and God heard our feeble plea. In a few moments of time she came off the bed dancing and praising God and it all came by taking God at His Word.

Dear saints, don't forget to pray for me. I want to be each moment of my life just where I can raise my eyes toward heaven and rise to meet Jesus when He comes. I want to be somewhere working for Him. Glory to God. I love my Savior and can feel His blessed presence right now in my soul. My whole heart's desire is to spend my remaining moments on this earth holding up the blessed name of Jesus, so pray for me.—Mrs. Elizabeth Downing.

### It Was Grand to Me

TRAFFORD, Ala.—Our good pastor, Brother Crider, sent us a free subscription to the Evangel, which we get every week, read and enjoy very much.

I went to the Church of God Assembly in 1932 as a member of the Methodist church. I had never seen such shouting, singing and pretty music. I thought it was so grand. I said, "How beautiful heaven must be." I have been going to the Church of God ever since. We believe it will take being filled with the Holy Ghost and living free from sin. Pray for us that we will be filled with the Holy Ghost so we can live like we would like to.

We have a fine church and Sunday School and as good a pastor as there is. We hope to get him back another year.—Mr. and Mrs. Will Park.

## BRIEF REPORTS

*"A good report maketh the bones fat," Prov. 15:30.***Maine State Convention**

On August 8 we left Prince Edward Island to attend the Maine state convention of the Church of God.

When we got to Appleton we found that the Bible School, which was a great success, was coming to a close and preparations were being made for the convention. On Thursday evening we received a cordial welcome from the state overseer, Brother Headley, and enjoyed the commencement exercises given by the school. Friday morning the first speaker was our Assistant General Overseer, Brother R. P. Johnson, who came all the way from Tennessee to help make our convention a success. He spoke on "The Purpose of This Convention." This was followed by an address by the superintendent of the school, Brother C. W. Hilemon.

Other speakers throughout the convention were Brothers J. T. Murray, J. H. Davis, C. L. Harris, C. E. Glenn, H. G. Flowers, O. J. Plake, and E. P. Kimball.

We appreciate George Poteat in his efforts in directing music and helping in the Young People's service, also Brother and Sister Chase in their efforts in the prayer meetings and music.

We also enjoyed the special music and singing by George and Paul Poteat and others. This was the first time that we had met Brother Headley and in the short time that we were there we learned to love him and appreciate the interest shown in obtaining food and beds during the few days we were there. —Millard Littlefield, Richmond, P. E. I., Canada.

**We Need Others to Help Us Fight the Battle**

STATE ROAD, N. C.—I praise God for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost. I have been in the way seventeen years and I love the way better every day. I have no desire to let down or go back, although sometimes the way looks rough and steep. I just look to the One those good old prophets of old depended on and He comes in and comforts. Praise God for His love to all. Please pray for this community, there are only five Holy Ghost folks—one man and four women, and oh, how the devil is seeking to devour us. We need others to help us fight the battle.

There is a holiness church here but no pastor and no revivals. Please pray for God to send a good leader—one who will stand the test. Dear saints, pray for

the Church of God at Jonesville where I belong. We have had a tent meeting and several were saved, sanctified, baptized and a number added to the church. We are building a church, pray that the Lord will help us to get the church completed and that we will all be one in Christ. Together we stand, divided we fall.

I praise the Lord for the way He is blessing us, and not us only, but everybody. I am glad I belong to the Church of God—not that I am standing on name but I really feel like it is the right name. Many people don't like this way but I love the Church with all my heart. Though loved ones turn their back on me, thank God, Jesus will not leave me because He has promised to go all the way if we will not forsake Him, and I never will turn back for there is nowhere to go.

I desire the saints' prayers in behalf of my husband and four boys. I think God's children feel that the testing time is here and I thank God for His many great promises. I would appreciate it if some of the saints would send me some copies of the Evangel and I will return stamps for mailing. May God bless every saint is my prayer.—Maggie Gentry.

ST. ELIZABETH, Jam., B. W. I.—On June 11 a band, consisting of pastor, C. A. McIntosh, Evangelist M. E. McIntosh and four of us as singers, started out on an evangelistic tour. We arrived at Ginger Hill on the same day and here we stayed until Tuesday.

On Sunday morning we attended the Sunday School. The children came out in large numbers. They are very interested in the lessons. Our pastor conducted the midday service. The Lord's Supper and the washing of the saints' feet was observed at the night service. We can truly say it was the best we ever had. The place was crowded more than in the afternoon and we could see people climbing upon the building just to get a view of what was going on. On Monday night we enjoyed some fine instructions from our dear pastor. While we were here a brother who was traveling with us, the only one without the Holy Ghost, was sweetly baptized and not long after our departure the post mistress of this place was also baptized with the Holy Ghost.

On Tuesday morning we went off to Middle Quarters where we had service. The crowd was not large but the few who came listened attentively to the words of God. The mosquitoes here

are very severe. We could hardly keep still during the service. After leaving here we traveled to Brighton and here was our sleeping station for four nights, during which time we visited the districts of New Market and Bersheba. Service was held at New Market the first night and the other night at Bersheba and the night following we went to New Market. Some nice folks are at these places who are anxious to have us back, not because of our appearance, but for words of God by which they can see their way to the Savior.

Saturday morning we left for Shrewsbury where we spent the night and on Sunday we left for the parish of Westmoreland. A bus load of people, both saved and unsaved, journeyed along with us from this place, under the sponsorship of Evangelist H. T. Gentles. A large evangelistic service was held at Ferrest district on Sunday night, conducted by Evangelist Gentles and Pastor McIntosh. Oh, we could feel God speaking through Brother McIntosh. We were wonderfully blessed. No one came forward for prayer but the seeds are sown and we are looking to see them spring forth.

Monday night we were at the town of Lavanalamar and here we had a fine time in the Lord. A large crowd gathered and same as the other places they are desirous of having us back. Service was held at Ferrest Tuesday night. Two lovely messages were delivered by the Holy Ghost through our dear pastor and Sister McIntosh, after which followed an inspiring invitation by Brother Gentles. One soul came to the altar and many more went home with the convicting power on them. The people love the doctrine of the Church of God and they have started to get busy about their souls' salvation.

We had service at Cave on Wednesday night. Many folks around these districts are not satisfied with their former way of worship, since the truth is made known to them, and desire to come over to the Church of God. We left here on Thursday and came back to Shrewsbury where we had prayer meeting that night. The following night we had a fine service and one girl came to the altar. We came to Brighton the same night and on Sunday we had service. The same night we went back to New Market and the following night to Bersheba. While the invitation was being extended a mother of about fifty years of age stepped forward. She said she felt the words from the soles of her feet to the crown of her head.

We came to Merry Wood to the home of our pastor. Five days were spent at Mulgrave and during our stay here some church business was being attended to. We enjoyed some fine messages from



our dear pastor. We returned home after nearly four weeks' traveling and truly we can say it has been a blessing to our souls. Pray much, dear ones, for us, and especially for our dear pastor who is a very hard worker and one who is devoted to the service of God.—A sister in Christ, P. I. Peart.

SETH, W. Va.—We truly thank the Lord for our church here. As we look back over the past few months we can see that we have much to praise our God for. Two years ago an evangelist came in here with a tent and held a wonderful revival. There were many saved, several sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Plans were made to build a new church but for some cause the plans never matured and we held our services around in homes. Last November when our new pastor, Brother R. E. Leadingham, took the church in charge he began to make plans to raise finance to get our church started. He and his dear wife certainly have toiled faithfully to make our dream of having a nice church house become a reality. Our church is now almost completed and will be valued at about two thousand dollars. We owe only \$335.00 on it. It is a church building that our community is proud of.

We truly thank God for such a man as Brother Leadingham. During this pastoral year he has pastored three churches, been district overseer on this district and had all the responsibility of building our church. We have found him to be a loyal minister, progressive and full of enthusiasm. We feel that we have been very fortunate in having Brother and Sister Leadingham with us and we hope if it is God's will that our state overseer will let them stay on our district for another year. He has sacrificed much for this church. We pray God's richest blessings on Brother and Sister Leadingham where they go. We have a fine lot of saints here with a "go through" in their souls. We thank God for each child of God. We truly can thank God from the depths of our heart for our church here. Pray for us that God will continue to bless, that many souls will be saved here and that the Church of God will rise and shine for the glory of God.—Mrs. Edith Atkins, clerk, Comfort, W. Va.

LAKEMONT, Ga.—I feel impressed to sound a note of praise and thanksgiving to our Father, Savior and coming King of kings. I praise Him for victory over sin and the devil. I am here without anyone to help me out, but the Lord has given me one sister that comes to see me and talk with me. She has the blessing and is a blessing to me, and one other that is a Freewill Baptist also has the blessing and is a blessing to me. I am the only Church of God member here

but God gave us a church building, so all pray for God to send laborers to help us and give us souls for it's a needy field. So many belong to the meeting-house that don't know God in the forgiveness of their sins, and live such unclean lives. It grieves my heart to see people claim to be Christians and you can't tell them from the world. When you see an unclean temple, God doesn't dwell there. We can't serve God and mammon.

I have been feasting on the good Word of God and the dear old Evangel, the good food our souls get from its pages. I often think of how glad I would be to hand one to every hungry child of God that has no one to cheer or help to bear his burdens. But listen, our Savior said He would never leave us nor forsake us. Praise our God forever! All who read this pray much for me. My husband has paralysis and can't do anything. Pray much for him; he is a member of the Baptist church but pray for God to have His way with him. Pray for my unsaved children. I want to see them out and out for God shouting the victory. I want God's very best and I want others to have it. I am glad the Lord saved me from sin and sinning, sanctified me and baptized me with the Holy Ghost and fire, and added me to the great Church of God. Pray for me to bear fruit for my Savior and pray for my healing. I have been healed of different things. I wore glasses until a little over a year ago a sister came to this place and ran a revival. I pulled my glasses off and have never put them on again. Thank God, I can see to read, write, sew, cook and do my work. The devil surely tries me out. I say to all who are trying to stand against the wiles of the devil, just hold on to God's promises for He won't fail us. Praise His name forever. The joy of the Lord is our strength, so let's press forward and see the salvation of the Lord. Pray for me to do God's will and stay humble at His feet. May God bless each of His children and save this lost world.—Mrs. C. S. Cannon.

PULASKI, Va.—We don't know for sure how many have been saved and sanctified here this year, but a large number. We have had about twenty new additions, with the loss of one. God has been wonderfully good to us. Bless His dear name! Please keep praying for the revival here. The signs are still following. Last Sunday night a small child fell and broke its arm. As I laid the child's arm in my hand it was in about a forty-five degree angle but God came on the scene and healed it instantly. Anyone desiring to write its mother may do so. Her address is Mrs. Emma Lyons, Gen. Del., Pulaski, Va. Also little Billie, said to be dying, was

handed to me. Again God came on the scene and instantly healed it. Their address is W. M. Brewer, Gen. Del., Pulaski, Va. Many other things God has done in our presence since we came to Pulaski, Va.—W. I. Bass, Box 375.

FARMERSBURG, Ind.—I thank the Lord for what He means to me, and I want everyone who feels led to pray for me. It seems there is something pulling me back, but I know God is able to help me overcome. I also know that God has completely healed me three times when other things failed and as I was only a child it made me strong for God, but I hesitated to give Him praise. But this morning I feel led to write. The devil tried to battle me against writing, but praise God, by His grace I want to do everything for Him. My husband is a sinner and we live a good way from church. I have trials and it seems something is always turning up to take my mind from the Lord, so, dear saints, hold me up before the Lord as He knows my heart. I want to be with the Bride. I read Sister Mary E. Poe's article in the Aug. 13th issue and it seems it lifted my burden. May God always bless her.—A sister, Zola Willis, Rt. 2.

MORRISTOWN, Tenn. — We have just closed a very successful meeting here. Three or four were saved, two or three sanctified, about three filled with the Holy Ghost and one added to the church. The church was wonderfully revived. There is good unity among the saints, so pray for us.—W. A. Walker, pastor.

### Keeps Soul and Body

HARRISBURG, Ark.—I praise our God for healing me. God is my healer and keeper of both soul and body. He has been my healer for quite a while. I am so glad that I am able to trust Him for all things. I was suffering very much with my ears. They hurt so badly until my whole head would hurt. I thought it was rising, so I asked Mother Florence Joplin to pray for me and the Lord wonderfully healed me. I give Him the praise for it and I praise Him for sanctifying me through the blood and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost and fire, according to Acts 2:4. Now I am a member of the great Church of God. I praise Him because I found the right way before it was too late.

Please pray for my strength in the Lord and pray that I will ever be successful in what the Lord will have me do.—Mollie Belle Joplin, Rt. 2, Box 47.

The reason Paul called "faith" a "shield" is because it shields the one who has it against doubts and fears and wards off all the fiery darts of the wicked and insures constant victory no matter how fierce the battle or severe the trial.



## PRAY FOR:

Wesley Clark, Mt. Pleasant, Tenn., run over by car, seriously injured.

Miss Elva Frederick, Millstone, Ky., sick and wants to be saved.

Mrs. Viola Setie, c/o Lawson Griffen, Sylva, N. C., who has T. B. Would appreciate old Evangels.

Mrs. Lucile Dennis, Jefferson Sanatorium, Birmingham, Ala. has T. B.

Mother of Mrs. Ellen Rackley, Trion, Ga., sick.

Daughter of Mrs. Alice Brown, Rt. 8, Box 806, Wichita, Kans., has growth on eyes, is also unsaved.

The loved ones of Mrs. M. O. Veach, Rt. 4, Honey Grove, Tex., who are in trouble.

Brother-in-law and sister-in-law of L. L. Jenkins, 2408 Parnell Ave., Bessemer, Ala., who are both unsaved.

Martha Crump, Toccoa, Ga., who is going through a trial and needs faith, desires your prayers.

J. L. Harrison, Blairsville, Ga. desires prayer for a revival there.

Mrs. Florence Carney, Foxworth, Miss. desires prayer that she may be healed of head and heart trouble.

E. E. Malone, Alice, Tex. asks prayer that God will provide both spiritual and temporal needs and that he will know His will.

Lela Culpepper, Pensacola, Fla. requests prayer for the revival there.

Johnson L. Cole, Finley, Okla. requests prayer for lost souls there, also that their revival will be a success.

## NOTICES

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If you would like to have an evangelist for a revival, you can contact Melvin O. Smith, the young hurricane evangelist, at 521 Jefferson St., La-Grange, Ga., or Gen. Del., Harrisburg, Ill. There is just wife and I and we will consider going to any state. Just let us know what time, where to come and how to get there.—Yours for service, Melvin O. Smith.

The Texas ministers' meeting will convene at Fort Worth, Tex., Oct. 7-9. The service will begin Friday night, Oct. 7, at 7:30 p. m. and close the following Sunday at noon. Free entertainment will be provided as far as possible. We hope every minister can be present as we have some vital things to consider in the interest of the Church in Texas, so do your best to be present.—H. N. Scoggins, overseer of Texas.

To the clerks of the churches in Arkansas: Send your reports and tithes to Brother Odis Smith, including Sunday,

Sept. 11. Send our mail to Rt. 3, Box 232, Little Rock, Ark.—Wilma Henry, state overseer of Arkansas.

To all church clerks in California and Arizona: I have changed my address from Box 404, Huntington Beach, Calif. to Box 1043, Ft. Myers, Fla. You may send part of the tithes up to Sept. 4 to me at my new address. The overseer's part from Sept. 4 on will go to your new state overseer. — Humbly, John E. Douglas, pastor, Church of God, Ft. Myers, Fla., Box 1043.

To whom it may concern: My address for the present is changed from Box 573, Dillon, S. C. to 2323 Union St., Brunswick, Ga., c/o Alice Roberts. My permanent address will be given later. I am open for calls in the evangelistic work. For reference write A. V. Beaubé, overseer of South Carolina, U. D. Tidwell, Kannapolis, N. C., or J. C. Jernigan, overseer of Georgia.—J. S. Roberts.

## He is Coming After the Faithful

BURKEVILLE, Va.—I praise God for saving my soul, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost, for being added to His Church, and for a desire to please God in all things. I praise Him too for all the suffering that I have gone through with and that the Lord has been with me. I am glad God has helped me to rejoice over my afflictions.

I have had salvation about eleven years and my determination is to keep it all my days, though my faith is weak. See Luke 8:25. The disciples were weak in faith then but after the Holy Ghost came they became great in faith. I don't believe the Church is as strong as it was in those days but I do believe we will have to come to that time again. There are many hindering spirits today. I know God wants us to be humble-spirited instead of being evil-spirited. I am sure many of us wonder why we can't do any more than we do for the Lord, but I am sure those who pray most and hold up the whole Bible are the strongest and do the most for God. If we are not faithful in all, how can we do all things well? Where there is little, little is required of us, but I feel there is more required of us than we do. Oh, how faithful I do want to be daily. He said He was coming after the faithful.

I still desire your prayers that God will fully heal my body, if it is His will. I believe doubt is the reason I can't get healed, so pray for my unbelief. I know God can heal me now, but I can't walk out on faith enough, and I think maybe that is what it will take. I know I need stronger faith and to be more surrendered to His will. May God

help us. Pray for the church in Amelia county and for my home. Pray that the hindering spirits will be defeated for me.—Mrs. Sallie Thompson, R. F. D. 2.

## A Good Resolution

A "resolution" means a "fixed determination, formal proposal. "Resolute" means "determined and fully decided in heart."

I have dreamed many a dream that never came true, but I had enough dreams come true to make me forever believe in dreams and to keep on dreaming.

I have prayed many a prayer that was never answered, but enough of my prayers have been answered to make me forever believe in prayer and to keep on praying.

I have trusted many a man who failed me, but I have found enough true friends to make me forever believe in humanity and to keep on trusting.

I have sowed many a seed that fell on stony ground and was devoured by the birds, but I have held in my arms enough golden sheaves to make me forever believe in the harvest and to keep on sowing the good seed, regardless of where they may fall.

I have fought many a battle and lost it, but I have won enough battles to make me forever believe in the struggle and to make me keep on fighting.

I have written many a line that should never have been written, but enough of my writings have touched human hearts to make me forever believe in writing and to just keep at it.

I have preached many a poor sermon that shamed me, but I have seen enough hearts warned under the gospel to make me forever believe in preaching and to keep on preaching till my Lord tells me it's enough.

I have seen Jesus my Lord lose many a battle, but I have seen enough of His triumph to make me forever believe in His divine power and to earnestly tarry for the endowment of power from on high.

I have fished many a day and took nothing (as said Simon, Luke 5:5), but I have caught enough fish to make me forever believe that fish can be caught, and to just launch out into the deep and keep on fishing until Jesus comes on the scene and bids me come and dine.—M. A. Looney, Berryton, Ga.

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of one day's wages.

That a special day (Easter Sunday) be set apart as Orphanage day, and that a special offering be taken to pay for the new orphanage building in Cleveland, Tennessee. Also, that each department of the local church—Y. P. E., Sunday School and L. W. W. B.—put on a special drive four weeks previous to the special day, using their own method of raising funds for said offering.

That paragraph two, page 139, Minutes of the 32nd Annual Assembly, be amended to read "provided they are otherwise qualified."

That if the defendant minister is dissatisfied with the decision of the State Board, he may appeal his case, within ten days, to the General Overseer, who, with the assistance of the Assistant General Overseer and General Secretary, may appoint a board to re-hear the case, if in their judgment the case merits a new trial. The defendant may, with consent of the State Overseer, waive trial by the State Board appointed by the General Overseer, in which case there shall be no appeal.

That the following words: "Except in cases of emergency" be added to the 5th paragraph on page 155, also, the word "assembly" next to the last word in the same paragraph.

That all rulings concerning aged ministers be revised to read as follows:

The creation of a fund for the benefit of disabled aged ministers, and all ministers whose remuneration from all sources equals \$50.00 or more per month pay one per cent on his income and forward to the Church of God General Secretary and Treasurer at the end of each month, with his monthly report and that the pastor of each local church set apart one day annually in honor of aged ministers for the purpose of raising not less than ten cents per member of his entire membership, and that benefactors include this fund in their will. Said receipts to be forwarded to the above named secretary for the purpose of further increasing the above named fund.

That the beneficiaries of said fund shall be above the age of 60 and disabled for ministerial service, and shall have been in active service in the Church of God for a period of at least fifteen years of unbroken service. No minister shall be considered eligible to receive anything from the aged ministers' fund who has not contributed to same, according to the rules of the Assembly.

All applicants for pension, together with those who are now receiving pen-

sions, shall be investigated by the State Board of the state where they reside. The findings of the State Board, together with the application of the candidates shall be passed upon by the Council of Twelve. Said Council shall determine the pension allotment which shall be governed by the service rendered, and money available.

That accrediting of the Bible School be left in the hands of the Board of Directors and the Council of Twelve.

Inasmuch as the General Assembly has from time to time endeavored to set forth the best system of paying and distributing tithes, and since some minor changes have been a bit confusing, we recommend that all past rulings under the tithing system be made to conform to the following:

All members of the Church of God should pay tithes. Laymen, exhorters and deacons are to pay into the local church treasury where their membership is. Licensed and ordained ministers shall pay tithes on their net income from all sources, other than the ministry, into the treasury of the local church where their membership is, however, their tithes of net offerings shall be sent with their monthly report to the General Secretary and Treasurer.

Local church treasurers shall send 10 per cent of all tithes paid into the treasury to the General Secretary and Treasurer, Cleveland, Tennessee, with their monthly report and an equal amount to their State Overseer with monthly report. The remainder shall be for the support of the pastor, not to exceed \$200.00 per month. Should there be a surplus over and above the amount of \$200.00 per month, and the pastor having considerable ministerial expense may be granted an additional allowance not to exceed \$15.00 per week, to meet same. The distribution of the remaining surplus shall be in the hands of the State Overseer and the local church.

State Overseers receiving a b o v e \$200.00 net per month of tithes and offerings shall send surplus to the State Mission Treasurer to be used by the State Board in promoting the work in their respective state.

The distribution of the tithes sent to headquarters shall be in the hands of the General Overseer and the Council of Twelve.

That the 8th paragraph on page 144 of our Minutes, under the heading of "Members" be stricken.

That the date of the Assembly be set between the first and fifteenth of October.

That the third paragraph on page 142 be amended to read as follows: "The Overseers of states be paid the amount of tithes due them, including the following Sunday after the Assembly

closes, and that pastors be paid up to and including the same."

The time of the week and place of the Assembly be left in the hands of the Assembly Arrangements Committee.

That the Music Editor be selected by the Editor and Publisher and the Publishing Interest Committee.

That 50 per cent of all mission offerings raised in district conventions be placed in the state mission work.

That the states too small to district be permitted to use 50 per cent of their state convention mission offerings for the state mission work.

The General Officials were elected to succeed themselves for the ensuing year, which are as follows:

General Overseer, J. H. Walker.  
Assistant General Overseer, R. P. Johnson.  
General Secretary and Treasurer, E. J. Boehmer.  
Editor and Publisher, S. W. Latimer.  
Superintendent of Education, Zeno C. Tharp.

The Council of Twelve, selected by the Bishops in Council, were the same as of last year, with one addition—E. M. Ellis added to make the twelve, with the Overseer of the Colored Work in America as councillor with the Twelve in matters concerning the Colored Work. Their names are as follows:

E. J. Boehmer	T. S. Payne
E. C. Clark	John L. Stephens
E. M. Ellis	Zeno C. Tharp
John C. Jernigan	R. R. Walker
R. P. Johnson	E. W. Williams
S. W. Latimer	S. J. Wood
J. H. Curry (Colored Work)	

## REVIVAL

CHERRY VALLEY, Ark. — On August 7 the Haze Chapel Church of God met for its home coming. The morning service opened with songs and prayer, some special singing by quartets, trios, duets, etc. The morning message was given by the local pastor. Then dinner was spread and a good feast was enjoyed. The evening speakers were Brother W. G. Mims and Brother W. E. Wright, district pastor. The revival began that night. There were two saved, one sanctified, one filled with the Holy Ghost, four added to the church and six baptized. Brother Mims is a real evangelist and has gained the friendship of the people around Cherry Valley. The business men of the town all loved Brother Mims. He is open for revivals; if you need a revival you cannot go wrong by getting him. His address is W. G. Mims, 1216 Ohio St., Helena, Ark. I want to say that whoever goes there will find a good band of people as I was pastor there last year. Pray for us that we will stand true to the Lord.—Chas. W. Sullivan.



## EDITORIALS

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contrary to the Word of God. He told the early Church to separate Paul and Barnabas for the work whereunto He called them.

## PERRY-SCOPE

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A piece of iron is dark and cold; imbued with a certain degree of heat, it becomes almost burning without any change of appearance; imbued with a still greater degree, its very appearance changes to that of solid fire, and it sets fire to whatever it touches. A piece of water without heat is solid and brittle; gently warmed it flows; further heated, it mounts to the sky. Such is the soul without the Holy Ghost; and such are the changes which pass upon it when it receives the Holy Ghost and when it is filled with the Holy Ghost. In the latter state only is it fully imbued with the Divine nature, bearing in all its manifestations some plain resemblance to its God, conveying to all on whom it acts some impression of Him, mounting heavenward in all its movements, and harmoniously pouring forth, from all its faculties, the praises of the Lord.—*Selected.*

## Harvesters Needed

"There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us," Acts 16:9. In these days of hardship our hearts often turn to the thought of missions. When we think of missionary work, our minds go to some far-off country where dwells the yellow man or the black man. Our hearts go out to these poor people and we wish fervently to help them. We are not all able to go there and carry the gospel light, but let us look nearer home for a man, woman, or child who has never heard of the "Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world."

Let me call your attention to a missionary field whose need can never be overestimated. I speak of the great scope of territory, nearly one-third of the United States, that lies north of the Mason-Dixon line and west of the Mississippi River. In this country we have very few churches, comparatively speaking, and not enough workers to adequately furnish the people with the gospel. From many towns we hear the call, "Come, bring us the gospel" but through the lack of finance and earnest, God-sent workers we are unable to reach them. Here the worker who undertakes to open a new field meets many difficulties not common in the South and East. We are very fortunate if we may start a tent meeting before the 15th of June and ordinarily we

must close by the 15th of September because of the cold nights. The winds that sweep these states are very destructive to a tent. Our great need is a portable tabernacle in which we can have meetings all the year.

Brothers and sisters, when you pray for the mission fields, ask God what He would have you to do about this. Our churches as yet are so few that the mission fund is not able to help much in opening new fields. Only through hard work and sacrifice are God's people able to take the gospel to new places. It is impossible to preach or live out of doors, in seasons when the thermometer registers many degrees below zero. As we drive through the country and see the wheat harvest being carried on, we long for finances and men to reap as the farmer does. He harvesters when the field is ripe and what a great harvest of souls we could have under like conditions. "The harvest truly is plenteous but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth laborers into his harvest," Matt. 9:37, 38. Again we ask that you pray and help us do something about this. Also here are several Indian reservations. Many of these have never, to my knowledge, been visited by a Church of God worker. If ever there were a people needing and deserving a missionary attitude toward their work, it is the Indians. If God is speaking to you about this place, write someone in authority who knows the conditions. We are looking forward, with your help, to a great year in the Northwest, knowing God will help us.—Alfred Ewell, 204 N. 2nd St., Wahpeton, N. Dak.

## God's Healing Power

I am praising God because He can heal today just the same as He did years ago. I went up to Newberry, Fla., to play the piano for a revival meeting, where Brother J. C. Cox is pastor, and the second week I was there I got sick. I had some kind of shaking spells. The saints would pray for me but I couldn't get victory. The last week I was there I got better; thought I was going to be all right. Brother and Sister Cox brought me home on Sunday. I felt fine all evening and all day Monday until in the evening I started having those spells again. I would shake so hard till it seemed I could hardly stand it. I kept getting worse. Saturday we sent word to Sister Lula Jones, pastor of the Church of God at Lacoochee, where we belong, to come pray for me but she was not able to come until the next week. I was sick five weeks and bedfast three weeks. My folks called the doctor but he didn't do me any good. He just gave me a dope.

One morning Sister Jones and some of the saints came to pray for me just as

I was having a spell. I got better for a day or two and then got worse. She came again the next week and I was wonderfully touched and said I wasn't going to take any more medicine. I was all right until Tuesday night about 12:00 o'clock I had the worst spell I'd had. The folks prayed for me but we couldn't get victory. So they asked me if I wanted some saints here to pray for me, and I said, Yes. Father went to get them and when they got here we had a fight with the devil, but God came on the scene and the devil had to leave. I was completely healed and, praise God, I got the best blessing I've got since I received the Holy Ghost. Everybody in the house got a blessing. It has been a little over two weeks and I haven't had another spell. Man may fail but God never fails. Praise God. Pray for my father that he may be healed as he is not able to be up at times. Mother, father and I all have salvation and we are members of the Church of God. Pray for us that we may be soul-winners for Christ.—Miss Margaret L. Bell, Zephyrhills, Fla.

## God Heals Child

LAKE CITY, Fla.—I praise God for victory over sin, for holy divine guidance and for the desire I have to be led by the divine guidance. Praise the name of the Lord, I'm glad that one day I learned to trust God with my body as well as my soul, but I found it a little different to trust God with my children's bodies. I really wanted to trust God with them, but the enemy would tell me I just couldn't do that. One night about 1:30 a. m. God spoke to me, during the illness of one of the small children, and said, "Give me the praise and let me heal the child now." Then I could swing out on God's promises, and I said, "Lord, here she is," and glory to God, she was healed instantly. This past week my baby had a very high fever and a badly disordered stomach. The enemy would tell me that I'd better get a doctor or give her some medicine and people around me told me that I could trust God with my body if I wanted to, but with a child it was different. I told them that the child was in the hands of God and He was able to heal and that He had the job. Praise the name of the Lord. If I know my heart I want to live for God and always be obedient so that in time of trouble I can ask Him for the things I need, and receive them.—Mrs. W. M. Christie, U. S. V. Hospital.

Faith has no trouble getting into the inner courts with God, as she carries a key that has never failed to unlock the door to the secret place of the most High both night and day through all of the past ages.

## REVIVALS

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God's will.—Mrs. Lola Pounds.

TRINITY, Tex.—A three weeks' revival at the Church of God at Trinity, Tex. has just come to a close with all-day service and dinner on the ground. Brother Allie Woodards of Latexo, Tex. was in charge and my, how the Lord used him and blessed us all. Over fifteen were saved, ten or more sanctified, six filled with the Holy Ghost, and more are still in the altar. The saints were wonderfully blessed and encouraged. Truly we feel like going on for God. Crowds were large, we could not accommodate the crowds. People became interested who had never before seemed concerned. Truly Brother and Sister Woodards are really on fire for God and are so willing for God to have His way that the Holy Ghost just takes charge. —Mrs. Lela Reeves, Box 545.

NASSAU, N. P., Bah.—This morning finds me still on victory's side, baptized with the Holy Ghost. We recently closed a five weeks' revival. Surely the dear Lord was in our midst down in Engleston, our new out-country church. Fifteen were saved and five out of the fifteen filled with the Holy Ghost. Our district overseer set a church in order with twelve members. I am willing to do more for the Lord but owing to ill health, am always put back.

Dear saints, please pray for me that God will restore my health, that I may be able to win more souls for His kingdom.—Sister Ellen Butler.

FLINT, Mich.—Truly the Church of God at North Flint, Mich. praises the Lord for the revival that came to a close with good success. God met with us in a mighty way. The crowds were good all the way through the meeting. People from all walks of life were present. Brother B. B. Bernard, converted Jew, fought with the beast of Flint as Paul fought with the beast of Ephesus, but thanks be unto God who giveth the victory. Any church will surely not go wrong in getting Brother Bernard. As an evangelist his messages are past, present and future. Pray for us that God will be the first, last and all in all things.—W. M. Barnard, 1073 E. Pierson Rd.

OLD FORT, N. C.—A few weeks ago the Church of God at Old Fort had a good revival. Brother C. R. Jones of North Wilkesboro came and preached two weeks, then Brother Walter Raffield of Old Fort preached one week. There were eight saved, three sanctified and three filled with the precious Holy Ghost. Brother Raffield has just started out preaching and he surely is on fire for the Lord.—Mrs. L. H. Crisp, clerk.

## BIBLE SCHOOL ECHOES

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God." 2 Tim. 2:15.

## Miss the Bible School

For a number of years I have had the privilege of associating with the Bible students. I was saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost at the age of thirteen years. I had a burning desire to come to the Bible School. Through the great guidance of my Lord, I attended two terms—1925-26 and 1926-27. Brother T. S. Payne was superintendent. I believe the Lord will do anything for us if our trust is in Him. It was during these terms that I learned to better love the Lord and the blessed Bible, and appreciate His many blessings.

I regret very much that the school has left Cleveland. The students will be greatly missed in the services and in different ways. I love the Bible School and believe there is none other like it because it gives the training that will help one to gain eternal life.—Mrs. J. H. Walker, Cleveland, Tenn.

## Prepare for the Master's Use

In these last evil days we as Christian workers need knowledge of the Word. We are confronted by the problem of facing an educated, skeptical, atheistic world. To successfully defend the Word and the reality of Christianity, we must have knowledge of the Scripture and other important factors.

We find in 2 Tim. 2:15, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." We are commanded by the Word of God to study so that we might be able to efficiently explain the Word of God in the face of gainsaying people. This is a necessary element in this age of false and delusive doctrines. People are wanting to know the true gospel. Those who are truehearted and others are being driven away because of false teachers. We know they exist in the world and are the cause of many souls going to destruction. The young people of today are the Church of tomorrow. We, the Church of God, are to take to all the world the true gospel.

Mothers and fathers, why not have your children prepare today? because when you are gone it will be too late. What are you going to do with your children today when they are being taught every ungodly doctrine in schools and colleges?—being taught there is no God, everything except God's Holy Word. God forbid. Why not send them to B. T. S. where they will be trained for the Master's service?

I am indeed thankful that we have a place to train young people for the Mas-

ter's service without being contaminated with the world. We have teachers who're filled with the Holy Ghost and they want God to have His way and to direct the progress of the school. The teachers are men and women who are interested in the students' spiritual welfare. Dear young people, if you are interested in preparing for the Master's service, B. T. S. is the best place this side of heaven. It's good for the young and good for the old, so why not come to B. T. S.?—Rolen Dunn, 1401 Eldorado St., Eldorado, Ill.

## The Master Calls for You

Hark, the voice of Jesus crying—  
"Who will go and work to-day?  
Fields are white and harvest waiting!  
Who will bear the sheaves away?"  
Loud and strong the Master calleth,  
Rich reward He offers thee;  
Who will answer, gladly saying,  
"Here am I; send me, send me!"

If you cannot cross the ocean,  
And the heathen lands explore,  
You can find the heathen nearer—  
You can help them at your door.  
If you cannot give your thousands,  
You can give the widow's mite;  
And the least you do for Jesus  
Will be precious in His sight.

If you cannot speak like angels—  
If you cannot preach like Paul—  
You can tell the love of Jesus;  
You can say He died for all.  
If you cannot rouse the wicked  
With the judgment's dread alarms,  
You can lead the little children  
To the Savior's waiting arms.

If you cannot be the watchman  
Standing high on Zion's wall,  
Pointing out the path to heaven,  
Offering life and peace to all;  
With your prayers and with your bounties  
You can do what heaven demands;  
You can be like faithful Aaron,  
Holding up the prophet's hands.

If among the older people  
You may not be apt to teach,  
"Feed my lambs," said Christ, our Shepherd,  
"Place the food within their reach;"  
And it may be that the children  
You have led with trembling hand  
Will be found among your jewels  
When you reach the better land.

Let none hear you idly saying,  
"There is nothing I can do,"  
While the souls of men are dying,  
And the Master calls for you.  
Take the task He gives you gladly;  
Let His work your pleasure be;  
Answer quickly when He calleth,  
"Here am I; send me, send me!"

—Daniel March, D. D.

Sent in by Sallie Womack.